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C O N F I D E N T I A L CARACAS 1458

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SUBJECT: VENEZUELAN ADVANCE MAN FOR OPEC HEADS OF
STATE MEETING DEPARTS

REF: CARACAS 404

1. LUIS ENRIQUE BERRIZBEITIA, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS ADVISER TO VENEZUELAN MINES MINISTER, DEPARTS CARACAS FEBRUARY 6 FOR ALGIERS WHERE HE WILL DO ADVANCE PREPARATION FOR PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ'S FORTHCOMING PARTICIPATION IN OPEC HEADS OF STATE MEETING. FROM ALGIERS HE WILL TRAVEL TO VIENNA TO PARTICIPATE IN PREPARATORY OPEC MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 19-20.

2. BERRIZBEITIA WAS ADVANCE MAN FOR VENEZUELAN DELEGATION TO ALGIERS JANUARY MEETING, AND ALSO FOR WORLD TRIP IN NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 1974 OF VENEZUELAN MINISTER OF MINES, MINISTER OF PLANNING, AND PRESIDENT OF INVESTMENT FUND. IT UNLIKELY THAT EMBASSY ALGIERS WILL HAVE OCCASION TO MEET BERRIZBEITIA. IF EMBASSY DOES MEET BERRIZBEITIA, HE IS FLUENT IN ENGLISH, IS US
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UNIVERSITY-EDUCATED, A BACHELOR, ABOUT 30 YEARS OF AGE, AND HAS

THE ABILITY TO BE INCONSPICUOUS. HE IS FRIENDLY, BUT NOT PRONE TO OPEN DISCUSSION OF HIS MISSIONS. FACT THAT BERRIZBEITIA IS UNDERTAKING THIS TRIP STRONGLY INDICATES THAT PRESIDENT PEREZ IS FIRMLY COMMITTED TO ATTEND ALGIERS MEETING, ALTHOUGH THIS HAS NOT BEEN PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED.

3. IN ADDITION, ALBERTO FLORES, OPEC GOVERNOR FOR VENEZUELA, WILL DEPART CARACAS FEBRUARY 7 FOR VIENNA, ALTHOUGH HE MAY STOP OVER IN ALGIERS ALSO. MINES MINISTER VALENTIN HERNANDEZ TRAVELS TO VIENNA ON FEBRUARY 17.
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